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THE ELECTION OF SENA-
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GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION LAW

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE HOLDING
OF PRIMARY ELECTIONS BY POLITICAL
PARTIES. [APPROVED MARCH 9, 1910.
IN FORCE JULY 1, 1910.]

SECTION 1. [WHAT CANDIDATES NOMINATED—COMMITTEEMEN—EXEMPTIONS—PROVISO] *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois represented in the General Assembly:* The nomination of all candidates for all elective State, Congressional, county, city and village (including officers of the Municipal Court of Chicago), town and judicial officers, members of the State Board of Equalization, clerks of the Appellate Courts, trustees of sanitary districts, and for the election of precinct, and State Central Committeemen, by all political parties, as defined by section 2 of this Act, shall be made in the manner provided in this Act, and not otherwise: *Provided*, this Act shall not apply to the nomination of candidates for electors of President and Vice President of the United States, and trustees of the University of Illinois: *And, provided, further*, that this Act shall not apply to township and school elections.

The name of no person, nominated by a party required hereunder to make nominations of candidates, shall be placed upon the official ballot to be

voted at the election to be held the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the month of November, A. D. 1910, as a candidate for any office, when provision is made herein for nominating candidates for such office, except President and Vice President of the United States, unless such person shall have been nominated for such office under the provisions of this Act, and all nominations made prior to July 1, A. D. 1910, of candidates for any such office to be voted for at said election are hereby declared of no effect and no nomination for any such office made prior to July 1, A. D. 1910, shall entitle any person, so nominated, to have his name placed upon the official ballot to be voted at said election.

Sec. 2. [POLITICAL PARTY DEFINED.] A political party, which at the general election for State and county officers then next preceding a primary, polled more than 2 per cent of the entire vote cast in the State, is hereby declared to be a political party within the State, and shall nominate all candidates provided for in this Act under the provisions hereof.

A political party, which at the general election for State and county officers then next preceding a primary, cast more than 2 per cent of the entire vote cast within any Congressional district, is hereby declared to be a political party within the meaning of this Act, within such Congressional district, and shall nominate its candidates for Representative in Congress and for member of the State Board of Equalization within said district, under the provisions hereof.

A political party, which at the general election for State and county officers then next preceding a primary, cast more than 2 per cent of the entire vote cast in any county, is hereby declared to be a political party within the meaning of this Act, within said county, and shall nominate all county officers in said county under the provisions hereof.

A political party, which at the general election for city and village officers then next preceding a primary, cast more than 2 per cent of the entire vote cast in any city or village, is hereby declared to be a political party within the meaning of this Act, within said city or village, and shall nominate all city or village officers in said city or village under the provisions hereof.

A political party, which at the general election for town officers then next preceding a primary, cast more than 2 per cent of the entire vote cast in said town, is hereby declared to be a political party within the meaning of this Act, within said town, and shall nominate all town officers in said town under the provisions hereof.

A political party which at the general election in any other municipality or political subdivision, except townships and school districts, for municipal or other offices therein, then next preceding a primary, cast more than 2 per cent of the entire vote cast in such municipality or political subdivision, is hereby declared to be a political party within the meaning of this Act, within said municipality or political subdivision, and shall nominate all municipal or other officers therein under the provisions hereof.

Sec. 3. [PARTY VOTE—How DETERMINED.] In determining the total vote of a political party, whenever required by this Act, the test shall be the total vote cast by such political party for its candidate who received the greatest number of votes.

Sec. 4. [WORDS AND PHRASES.] The following words and phrases in this Act shall, unless the same be inconsistent with the context, be construed as follows:

1. The word "primary," the primary election provided for in this Act.
2. The word "election," a general election, as distinguished from a special election or a primary election.
3. The word "precinct," a voting district heretofore or hereafter established by law within which all qualified electors vote at one polling place.
4. The words "State offices," or "State officer," an office to be filled, or an officer to be voted for, by qualified electors of the entire State.
5. The words "congressional office" or "congressional officer," Representatives in Congress and members of the State Board of Equalization
6. The words "judicial office" or "judicial officer," judges of the Supreme and Circuit courts and judges of the Superior Court of Cook county
7. The words "county office" or "county officer," an office to be filled or an officer to be voted for, by the qualified electors of the entire county; members of the board of assessors and county commissioners of Cook county.

8. The words "city office" and "village office," or "city officer" and "village officer," an office to be filled or an officer to be voted for by the qualified electors of the entire city or village, as the case may be, including aldermen.

9. The words "town office" or "town officer," an office to be filled or an officer to be voted for by the qualified electors of an entire town.

10. The word "town" as used in this Act shall be construed to mean an incorporated town.

Sec. 5. [POLLING PLACES.] The primary herein provided for shall be held at the regular polling places now established, or which may hereafter be established, for the purposes of a general election.

Sec. 6. [DATES OF PRIMARIES.] A primary shall be held on the second Tuesday in April in every year except the year A. D. 1910, in which year a primary shall be held on the 15th day of September. A. D. 1910, in which officers are to be voted for on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of such year, for the nomination of candidates for such offices as are to be voted for at such November election, and shall be known as the April primary: *Provided, however,* that whenever in this Act the term "April Primary," or equivalent words, shall appear, such term or such words shall be construed, as to the primary held in September, A. D. 1910, to refer to and govern such primary so held in September, A. D. 1910.

A primary shall be held on the second Tuesday in April in any year in which judges of the Supreme Court, judges of the Circuit Court, and judges of the Superior Court of Cook county, or any of them, are to be elected at an election to be held on the first Monday of June of such year for the nomination of candidates for such offices respectively.

A primary shall be held on the last Tuesday in February in each year for the nomination of such officers as are to be voted for on the first Tuesday in April of such year.

A primary shall be held on the second Tuesday in March in each year for the nomination of such officers as are to be voted for on the Third Tuesday in April of such year.

A primary for the nomination for all other officers, nominations for which are required to be made under the provisions of this Act, shall be held three weeks preceding the date of the general election for such offices respectively.

The polls shall be open from 6:00 o'clock a. m. to 5:00 o'clock p. m.

Sec. 7. [VOTER'S LEAVE OF ABSENCE.] Any person entitled to vote at such primary shall, on the day of such primary, be entitled to absent himself from any service or employment in which he is then engaged or employed for a period of two hours between the time of opening and closing the polls, and such primary elector shall not, because of so absenting himself, be liable to any penalty nor shall any deduction be made on account of such absence from his usual salary or wages: *Provided, however,* that applications for such leave

of absence shall be made prior to the day of primary. The employer may specify the hours during which said employe may absent himself.

Sec. 8. [COMMITTEES—CENTRAL OR MANAGING.] The following committees shall constitute the central or managing committees of each political party, viz:

A State central committee; a congressional committee for each congressional district; a county central committee for each county; a city central committee for each city or village; and a precinct committee for each precinct; *Provided, however,* that nothing herein contained shall prevent a political party from electing or appointing in accordance with its practice other committees.

Sec. 9. [COMMITTEES — COMPOSITION — ORGANIZATION — POWERS, ETC]

(1) [STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.] The State central committee shall be composed of one member from each congressional district in the State, and shall be elected as follows:

At the September primary held in the year A. D. 1910, and at the April primary held every two years thereafter, each primary elector may vote for one candidate of his party for member of the State central committee for the congressional district in which he resides. The State central committee of each political party shall be composed of members elected from the several congressional districts of the State as herein provided, and of no other person or persons whomsoever. The members of the State central committee shall, within thirty days after their election, meet in

the city of Springfield, and organize by electing from among their number a chairman and may at such time elect such other officers from among their own number or otherwise, as they may deem necessary or expedient. The outgoing chairman of the State central committee of the party shall, ten days before the meeting, notify each member of the State central committee elected at the primary of the time and place of such meeting.

(2) [PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN.] At the September primary held in September, A. D. 1910, and at the April primary held every two years thereafter, each primary elector may write or attach in the space left on the primary ballot for that purpose the name of one qualified primary elector of his party in the precinct for member of his political party precinct committee. The one having the highest number of votes shall be such committeeman of such party for such precinct. In case of a tie the primary judges shall cast lots. The official returns of the primary judges shall show the name and address of the committeeman of each political party.

(3) [COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.] The county central committee of each political party shall consist of the members of the various precinct committees of such party in the county.

(4) [CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE.] The congressional committees of each political party shall be composed of the chairmen of the county central committees of the counties composing the congressional district, excepting that in congressional districts wholly within the

territorial limits of one county, or partly within the territorial limits of one county and partly within the territorial limits of another county, then the members of the precinct committees of the party residing within the limits of the congressional district shall compose the congressional committee.

(5) [CITY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.] The city central committee of each political party shall be composed of the precinct committeemen of such party residing in such city.

(6) [POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.] Each committee and its officers shall have the powers usually exercised by such committees and by the officers thereof, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act. The several committees herein provided for shall not have power to delegate any of their powers or functions to any other person, officer or committee, but this shall not be construed to prevent a committee from appointing from its own membership, proper and necessary sub-committees, and particularly defining, by resolution, the duties of such sub-committees.

(7) [EXISTING PARTY COMMITTEES RECOGNIZED.] The various political party committees now in existence are hereby recognized and shall exercise the powers and perform the duties herein prescribed until committeemen are chosen, in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 10. [CONVENTION DATES—ORGANIZATION—DELEGATES—CALL, ETC.]
(a) [COUNTY CONVENTIONS.] On the

first Monday next succeeding the April primary, the county central committee of each political party shall meet at the county seat of the proper county and proceed to organize by electing from among its own number a chairman and either from among its own number, or otherwise, such other officers as said committee may deem necessary or expedient. Such meeting of the county central committee shall be known as the county convention. The county convention of each political party shall choose delegates to the Congressional and State convention of its party: *Provided*, only precinct committeemen residing within the limits of a Congressional district shall participate in the selection of delegates to a Congressional convention: *And, provided, further*, that in the county convention that each delegate to the county convention shall have one vote and one additional vote for each fifty or major fraction thereof of his party as cast in his precinct at the last general election.

(b) [CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTIONS.] All Congressional conventions shall be held on the first Wednesday after the first Monday next succeeding the April primary. The Congressional convention of each political party shall have power to choose and select delegates and alternate delegates to national nominating conventions, and to recommend to the State convention of its party the nomination of candidate or candidates from such Congressional district for elector or electors of President and Vice-President of the United States.

(c) [STATE CONVENTIONS.] All State conventions shall be held on the first

Friday after the first Monday next succeeding the April primary. The State convention of each political party shall have power to make nominations of candidates for the electors of President and Vice President of the United States, and for trustees of the University of Illinois, and to adopt any party platform, and to choose and select in accordance with the rules and regulations of its party delegates and alternate delegates to national nominating conventions.

(d) [FUNCTIONS OF CONVENTION.] Each convention may perform all other functions inherent to such political organization and not inconsistent with this Act.

(e) [CALLS FOR CONVENTION—FILING—FORM.] At least thirty-three (33) days before the April primary the State and Congressional committee, respectively, of each political party shall file in the office of the county clerk in each county of the State, or in each county of the Congressional district, a call for the State and Congressional conventions. Said call shall state, among other things, the time and place (designating the building or hall) for holding the State and Congressional conventions, respectively, the total number of delegates which shall compose each of said conventions, and the call for State conventions shall state, among other things, the number of delegates to which each county is entitled in the State convention; and the call for the Congressional convention shall state, among other things, the number of delegates to which each county or political subdi-

vision of any county, as the case may be, is entitled to in the Congressional convention. Such call shall be signed by the chairman and attested by the secretary of the respective committees.

Sec. 11. [ALDERMEN UNDER MINORITY REPRESENTATION.] In cities which have adopted minority representation in the city council, the city central committee shall, at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the primary, by resolution, fix and determine the number of candidates for alderman in each of the wards of their city to be nominated by their party at the primary for the nomination of candidates for city offices.

A copy of said resolutions, duly certified by the chairman and attested by the secretary, shall, within two days thereafter, be filed in the office of the city clerk.

In all primaries for the nomination of candidates for alderman under minority representation, each qualified minority elector may cast as many votes for one candidate as there are candidates to be nominated, or may distribute the same, or equal parts thereof, among the candidates for nomination as he shall see fit, and the candidate for nomination highest in votes shall be declared nominated.

¶ Sec. 12. [NOTICE OF PRIMARY—DUTY OF CLERKS.] At least twenty (20) days before each primary the county clerk of each county, or the city, village or town or other clerk, whose duty it is to give notice of general elections under the general election laws of this State, for the election of officers whose nomi-

nation is required to be made under the provisions of this Act, shall prepare in the manner provided in the general election laws of this State, a notice of such primary, which notice shall state the time and place of holding the primary, the hours during which the polls will be open, the offices for which candidates will be nominated at such primary and the political parties entitled to participate therein. Such notices shall be posted at least fifteen (15) days prior to the primary by the same authorities and in the same manner as notices of election under the general election laws are required to be posted.

Sec. 13. [JUDGES OF PRIMARY.] The judges of general elections for State and county officers, for city and village officers and for town and other municipal officers, are hereby constituted respectively the judges of primary elections in their respective precincts, under the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 14. [JUDGES HOLD OVER.] It is hereby made the duty of the respective judges of general elections to act as judges of primary elections in their respective precincts until their successors, as judges of general elections, are duly appointed and qualified.

Sec. 15. [JUDGES ABSENT, ETC.—VACANCIES.] If, at the time for opening of a primary, one of the primary judges be absent, or refuse to act, the judges present shall appoint some qualified primary elector of the precinct to act in his place. If two of the primary judges be absent or refuse to act, the judges present shall fill the vacancies in the same

manner, as above provided. [If all three of the primary judges be absent, or refuse to act, the primary electors present, who reside in the precinct, shall select three of their number to act as primary judges. The judges so selected and appointed shall take the same oath, have the same powers, and perform the same duties and be subject to the same penalties as regularly constituted election judges.

Sec. 16. [CLERKS OF PRIMARY.] The primary judges in each precinct, except in cities having a board of election commissioners, shall select three qualified primary electors of said precinct to act as primary clerks, who shall continue to serve during the pleasure of said primary judges; but no more than two persons of the same political party shall be chosen primary clerks in the same precinct.

In cities having a board of election commissioners, the regularly appointed clerks of election shall act as clerks of the primary in their respective precincts.]

Sec. 17. [OATH OF JUDGES AND CLERKS—FORM—LIABILITY.] Previous to any vote being taken, the primary judges and clerks shall severally subscribe and take an oath or affirmation in the following form, to-wit:

“I do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be), that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and will faithfully and honestly discharge the duties of primary judge (or clerk, as the case may be), according to

the best of my ability, and that I have resided in this State for one year, in this county for ninety days, and in this precinct thirty days next preceding this primary, and am entitled to vote at this primary."

All persons subscribing the oath as aforesaid, and all persons actually serving as primary judges and clerks, whether sworn or not, shall be deemed to be and are hereby declared to be officers of the county court of their respective counties; and such persons shall be liable to punishment by such court in a proceeding for contempt for any misbehavior as such primary judges or clerks, to be tried in open court, on oral testimony, in a summary manner, without written pleadings, but such trial, or punishment for contempt of court, shall not be any bar to any criminal proceedings against such primary judges or clerks for any violation of this Act.

Sec. 18. [OATH OF JUDGES AND CLERKS—ADMINISTRATION.] In case there shall be no justice of the peace or notary public present at the opening of a primary, or in case such justice of the peace or notary public shall be appointed one of the primary judges or clerks, it shall be lawful for the primary judges to administer the oath or affirmation to each other, and to the primary clerks.

Sec. 19. [JUDGES AND CLERKS—POWERS AND DUTIES.] The primary judges and clerks, except as otherwise provided in this Act, shall perform the same duties, have the same powers, and be subject to the same penalties as judges and clerks of general elections, under the election laws of this State.

Sec. 20. [JUDGES AND CLERKS—PAY.] Primary judges and clerks shall receive the same pay, and shall be paid by the same authorities and in the same manner as judges and clerks under the election laws of this State.

Sec. 21. [CHALLENGERS.] The precinct committeeman of each party may appoint in writing over his signature two party agents or representatives, with an alternate for each, who shall act as challengers for their respective parties, for said precinct. Such challengers shall be protected in the discharge of their duties by the primary judges and peace officers and shall be permitted to remain within the polling place in such position as will enable them to see each person as he offers his vote, and said challengers may remain within the polling place throughout the canvass of the vote and until the returns are signed. All challengers shall be qualified primary electors in their respective precincts and shall have the same power as challengers at general elections: *Provided*, that until precinct committeemen are elected hereunder, the county central committee of each party in the respective counties shall designate said challengers.

Sec. 22. [BOOTHES—ELECTIONEERING PROHIBITED.] All officers upon whom is imposed by law the duty of designating and providing polling places for general elections, shall provide in each such polling place so designated and provided, a sufficient number of booths for such primary election, which booths shall be provided with shelves, such

supplies and pencils as will enable the voter to prepare his ballot for voting and in which voters may prepare their ballots screened from all observation as to the manner in which they do so; and the guard rail shall be so constructed and placed that only such persons as are inside said rail can approach within six feet of the ballot box and of such voting booths. The arrangement shall be such that the voting booths can only be reached by passing within said rail. Such booths shall be within plain view of the election officers and both they and the ballot boxes shall be within plain view of those outside the guard rail. No person other than the election officers and the challengers allowed by law and those admitted for the purpose of voting, as hereinafter provided, shall be permitted within the guard rail, except by authority of the primary officers to keep order and enforce the law.

The number of such voting booths shall not be less than one to every seventy-five voters or fraction thereof, who voted at the last preceding election in the precinct or election district.

No person whatever shall do any electioneering or soliciting of votes on primary day within any polling place or within one hundred feet of any polling place.

Sec. 23. [BALLOT BOXES.] Primary ballot boxes shall be furnished by the same authorities and in the same manner and shall be of the same style and description as ballot boxes furnished for the purpose of general elections, under the general election laws of this State.

Sec. 24. [SUPPLIES.] All necessary primary poll books, tally sheets, return blanks, stationery and other necessary primary supplies shall be furnished by the same authorities upon whom is imposed by law the duty of furnishing such supplies at general elections.

Sec. 25. [EXPENSES.] The expense of conducting such primary, including the per diem of judges and clerks, furnishing, warming, lighting and maintaining the polling place, and all other expenses necessarily incurred in the preparation for or conducting such primary shall be paid in the same manner, and by the same authorities or officers respectively as in the case of elections.

Sec. 26. [POLL BOOKS—FORM—CERTIFICATES.] The primary poll books shall be substantially in the following form:

PRIMARY POLL BOOKS.

Of the primary held in the.....
precinct of the county of.....on the.....
.....day of.....A. D.....

Name of Voter	Resi- dence, Street and Number	Party Affiliation			
		Repub- lican	Dem- ocrat	Prohibi- tionist	Social- ist
1. John Jones		X			
2. Richard Smith			X		
3. John Doe				X	
4. Richard Doe					X
5. Charles Lee					X

This is to certify that the above and foregoing is a correct list of primary voters at a primary held on the.....
day of.....A. D....., in the.....precinct, in.....county,

and State of Illinois. That at said primary the undersigned judges and clerks served as required by law and are entitled to pay therefor.

Dated.....19...

Clerks of Primary Judges of Primary.

Said primary poll books shall otherwise be in form and shall contain the same certificates as nearly as may be as the poll books used in the regular election and shall be signed and attested in the same manner, as nearly as may be, as the poll books used for the purpose of regular elections.

Sec. 27. [TALLY SHEETS.] The tally sheets for each political party participating in the primary election shall be substantially in the following form:

"Tally sheets for.....(Name of political party) for the.....precinct, in the county of......., for a primary held on the.....day of.....A. D...."

The names of candidates for nomination and for State central committee-men, and precinct committeemen, shall be placed on the tally sheets of each political party by the primary clerks in the order in which they appear on the primary ballot.

Sec. 28. PETITION—FORM—NUMBER OF SIGNERS.] The name of no candidate for nomination, or State central committee, shall be printed upon the primary ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed in his behalf, as provided in this Act in substantially the following form:

"We, the undersigned, members of and affiliated with the.....party and qualified primary electors of saidparty, in the.....of..... in the county of.....and State of Illinois, do hereby petition that the following named person or persons shall be a candidate or candidates of the.....party for the nomination for the office or offices hereinafter specified, to be voted for at the primary election held on the.....day of..... A. D.

Name	Office	Address
Thomas Smith .	Governor.....	Belvidere. Ill.
John Jones	Sheriff	Oakland, Ill.

Name.....Address.....
State of Illinois, }
.....County, } ss.

I,....., do hereby certify that I am upwards of the age of twenty-one years, that I reside at No.....street, in the.....of....., county of..... and State of Illinois, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, and are genuine, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing said petitions qualified voters of the.....party, and that their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this.....day of.....A. D....

Such petitions shall consist of sheets of uniform size, and each sheet shall contain above the space for signatures an appropriate heading giving the information as to name of candidate or candidates, in whose behalf such petition is signed; the office, the political party represented, place of residence, and such other information or wording as required to make same valid; and the heading of each sheet shall be the same. Such petition shall be signed by qualified primary electors in their own proper persons only, and opposite the signature of each signer, his residence address shall be written (and if a resident of a city having a population of over 10,000 by the then last preceding federal census, the street number of such residence shall be given.) No signature shall be valid or be counted in considering the validity or sufficiency of such petition unless the requirements of this section are complied with, except as herein otherwise provided. At the bottom of each sheet of such petition shall be added a statement, signed by an adult resident of the political division for which the candidate is seeking a nomination, stating his residence address (and if a resident of a city having a population of over 10,000 by the then last preceding federal census, also, stating the street and number of such residence) certifying that the signatures on that sheet of said petition were signed in his presence, and are genuine; and that to the best of his knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing said petitions qualified voters of the political party for which a nomination is sought. Such statement shall be sworn to before

some officer of the county in which the person making such statement resides, authorized to administer the oaths therein. Such sheets before being filed, shall be neatly fastened together in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile and fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable manner, and the sheets shall then be numbered consecutively. The sheets shall not be fastened by pasting them together end to end, so as to form a continuous strip or roll. Said petition, when filed, shall not be withdrawn or added to, and no signatures shall be revoked except by revocation filed in writing with the clerk or other proper officer with whom the petition is required to be filed, and before the filing of such petition. Whoever, in making the sworn statement above prescribed, shall knowingly, wilfully, and corruptly swear falsely, shall be deemed guilty of perjury, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished accordingly. Whoever forges the name of a signer upon any petition required by this Act, shall be deemed guilty of a forgery, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished accordingly.

Petitions of candidates for nominations for offices herein specified, to be filed with the same officer, may contain the names of two or more candidates of the same political party for the same or different offices.

Such petitions for nominations shall be signed:

(a) If for a State office, by not less than one thousand (1,000) nor more than two thousand (2,000) primary electors of his party.;

(b) If for a congressional office, by at least one-half of one per cent of the qualified primary electors of his party in his congressional district, as the case may be;

(c) If for a judicial office, by a least one-half of one per cent of the qualified primary electors of his party in the district or division for which the nomination is made.

(d) If for a county office, by at least one-half of one per cent of the qualified primary electors of his party cast at the last preceding general election in his county: *Provided*, that if for the nomination for county commissioner of Cook county, then by at least one-half of one per cent of the qualified primary electors of his party in his county in the district or division in which such person is a candidate for nomination.

(e) If for a city or village office, to be filled by the electors of the entire city or village, by at least one-half of one per cent of the qualified primary electors of his party in his city or village; if for alderman, by at least one-half of one per cent of the voters of his party of his ward.

(f) If for State central committeeman, by at least one hundred (100) of the primary electors of his party of his congressional district.

(g) If for a candidate for trustee of a sanitary district, by at least one-half of one per cent of the primary electors of his party, from such sanitary district.

(h) If for a candidate for clerk of the appellate court, by at least one-half of one per cent of the primary electors of his party of the district.

(i) If for any other office, by at least ten (10) primary electors of his party of the district or division for which nomination is made.

Sec. 29. U. S. SENATOR—PETITION—ADVISORY VOTE.] Any candidate for United States Senator may have his name printed upon the primary ballot of his political party by filing in the office of the Secretary of State, not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the April primary, in any year, a petition signed by not less than three thousand (3,000) primary electors, nor more than five thousand (5,000) members of and affiliated with the party of which he is a candidate, and no candidate for United States Senator, who fails to comply with the provisions of this Act, shall have his name printed upon any primary ballot: *Provided*, that the vote upon candidates for United States Senator shall be had for the sole purpose of ascertaining the sentiment of the voters of the respective parties in the State as a whole and not by Senatorial districts.

Sec. 30. [PETITION—FILING—WITHDRAWAL.] All petitions for nominations shall be filed as follows:

(1) Where the nomination is to be made for a State, congressional, judicial or appellate court office, or for any office the nomination for which is made for a territorial division or district which comprises more than one county, or is partly in one county and partly in another county or counties, then such petition for nomination shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, not more than

sixty and not less than thirty days prior to the date of the primary.

(2) Where the nomination is to be made for a county office, except clerk of Appellate court of the first district then such petition shall be filed in the office of the county clerk not more than sixty nor less than thirty days prior to the date of the primary.

(3) Where the nomination is to be made for an office to be filled by the electors of an entire city or village, including aldermen, such petitions for nominations shall be filed in the office of the city or village clerk not more than thirty (30) nor less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the primary.

(4) Where the nomination is to be made for an office to be filled by the electors of a town, then such petition for nomination shall be filed in the office of the town clerk not more than thirty (30) and not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the primary.

(5) The petitions of candidates for State central committeemen shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State not more than sixty (60) days and not less than thirty (30) days prior to the primary.

(6) The Secretary of State and the various clerks with whom such petitions for nominations are filed shall endorse thereon the day and hour on which each petition was filed.

(7) Any person for whom a petition for nomination or for committeeman has been filed may cause his name to be withdrawn by his request in writing, signed by him and duly acknowledged

before an officer qualified to take acknowledgments of deeds and filed in the office of the Secretary of State not less than twenty-five (25) or with the proper clerk not less than [twelve] (12) days prior to the date of the primary, and no names so withdrawn shall be certified by the Secretary of State to the county clerk, or printed on the primary ballot.

Sec. 31 [CERTIFICATE TO COUNTY CLERK.] Not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date of the primary the Secretary of State [shall] certify to the county clerk of each county the names of all candidates for United States Senator and of all candidates for members of the State central committee, and of all candidates for the nomination for all offices, as specified in the petition for nominations on file in his office, which are to be voted for in such county, stating in such certificates the political affiliation of each candidate for nomination, or committeeman, as specified in the said petition. The Secretary of State shall, in his certificate to the county clerk certify to said county clerk the names of the offices and the names of the candidates in the order in which said offices and said names shall appear upon the primary ballot, said names to appear in the order in which petition shall have been filed in his office.

Sec. 32. [BALLOTS—BY WHOM PRINTED.] The county clerk of each county and in cities, villages and towns, the clerk thereof, as the case may be, shall prepare and cause to be printed the primary ballot of each political party for each precinct in his respective county, city, village or town;

Sec. 33. [BALLOTS—NAMES PRINTED ON.] It is hereby made the duty of the county clerk of each county to cause to be printed upon the primary ballot of each party for each precinct in his county the name of each candidate whose petition for nomination has been filed in the office of the county clerk as herein provided; and also the name of each candidate whose name has been certified to his office by the Secretary of State, and in the order so certified.

It shall be the duty of the city or village or town clerk, as the case may be, to cause to be printed upon the primary ballot of each political party for each precinct in his city, village or town, as the case may be, the name of each candidate whose petition for nomination has been filed in his office, as herein provided and which is to be voted for in such precinct

Sec. 34. [BALLOTS—COLOR—SIZE, ETC.] The primary ballot of each political party shall be separately printed upon paper of uniform quality, texture and size, but the primary ballot of no two political parties shall be of the same color or tint.

The clerk, whose duty it shall be to cause to be printed the primary ballot, shall, at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the primary, post in a conspicuous place in his office an announcement of the color of the primary ballots of the respective parties, and, in the case of the county clerk, shall also publish such announcement for at least one (1) week in at least three (3) newspapers of general circulation in the county. In the case of the city clerk, such publi-

cation shall be made ~~at least one~~ (1) week in three (3) newspapers printed and published in the city, if there be three newspapers printed and published in said city.

Sec. 335 [BALLOTS—FORM.] The primary ballot of each political party for each precinct shall be arranged and printed substantially in the manner following:

1. At the top of the ballot shall be printed in large capital letters, words designating the ballot—if a Republican ballot, the designating words shall be: "REPUBLICAN PRIMARY BALLOT; if a Democratic ballot the designating words shall be: "DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY BALLOT;" and in like manner for each political party.

2. Beginning not less than one inch below designating words, the name of each office to be filled shall be printed in capital letters and in the following order, to-wit: United States Senator, State offices, congressional offices, judicial offices, clerks of the appellate courts, members of the State central committee, trustees of sanitary districts, county offices, city and village offices, town offices, or of such of the said offices as candidates are to be nominated for at such primary, and precinct committee-man

Below the name of each office shall be printed in small letters the directions to voters: "Vote for one;" "Vote for two;" "Vote for three;" or a spelled number designating how many persons under that head are to be voted for.

Below the name of each office shall be printed in capital letters the names of all

candidates arranged in the order in which their petitions for nomination were filed, for the nomination for said offices which are entitled to be placed upon the respective party primary ballot. The names of all candidates upon the primary ballot shall be printed in type of uniform size and the names shall be printed in a column. Immediately opposite and in front of the name of each candidate shall be printed a square and all squares upon the primary ballot shall be of uniform size. Spaces between the names of candidates under each office shall be uniform and sufficient spaces shall separate the names of candidates for one office from the names of candidates for another office, to avoid confusion.

3. At the bottom of the primary ballot and under the heading "For precinct committeeman," a space sufficiently large shall be left in which the primary electors may write or attach the name of one primary elector of his party in the precinct as his choice for precinct committeeman. No square need be placed in front of the name of the person voted for for precinct committeeman.

Sec. 36. [BALLOTS—ENDORSEMENTS.] On the back or outside of the primary ballot of each precinct, so as to appear when folded, shall be printed the words "Primary Ballot," followed by designation of said precinct, the date of the primary and a *facsimile* of the signature of the clerk who furnished the ballots.

Sec. 37. [SPECIMEN BALLOTS.] The officer whose duty it shall be to cause

the printing of the primary ballots shall, not less than five (5) days prior to the primary, transmit or cause to be delivered to the primary judges, specimen ballots of each political party, substantially in the form of the official primary ballots, to be used at the primary which specimen ballot shall be printed upon paper of a different texture and color from the official primary ballot, and it shall be the duty of the primary judges to post not less than five (5) of each such specimen ballots in the precinct, one of each such specimen ballots to be posted at the polling place.

Sec. 38. [BALLOTS—DELIVERY TO JUDGES.] The officer so charged with the printing of primary ballots shall cause to be delivered to the primary judges of each precinct not less than twelve (12) hours before the time fixed for the opening of the polls, the official primary ballot of each political party, and the number thereof for each political party in each precinct shall be one hundred (100) for each fifty (50) votes cast in said precinct by said political party at the last preceding election.

Sec. 39. [BALLOTS—RECEIPTS FOR.] The official primary ballots shall be put in separate sealed packages with marks on the outside thereof clearly designating the precinct for which they are intended, and the number of ballots enclosed for each political party and a receipt therefor shall be given by the primary judge to whom such ballots are delivered, which receipt shall be filed by the proper clerk in his office.

Sec. 40. [EXTRA BALLOTS.] The officer so charged with the printing of primary ballots shall provide and retain in his office until after the primary, an ample supply of extra primary ballots for each political party in each precinct and if at any time before or during the primary, ballots of any precinct shall be lost, destroyed or exhausted, on written application signed by the primary judges of said precinct, or any of them, he shall immediately cause to be delivered to said primary judges such supply of extra ballots as may be required to comply with the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 41. [POLLs — OPENING AND CLOSING.] Upon the opening of the polls one of the primary judges shall make proclamation of the same. And at least thirty (30) minutes before the closing of the polls proclamation shall be made in like manner that the polls will be closed in half an hour.

Sec. 42. [BALLOT Box—CARE AND CUSTODY.] Before voting begins, the ballot box shall be emptied and it shall be opened and shown to those present to be empty, after which it shall be locked and the key delivered to one of the primary judges, and such ballot box shall not be removed from public view from the time it is shown to be empty until after the close of the polls

Sec. 43. [QUALIFICATION OF VOTERS.] Every person having resided in this State one year, in the county ninety days, and in the precinct thirty days next preceding any primary therein, who was an elector in this State on the

first day of April, in the year of our Lord 1848, or obtained a certificate of naturalization before any court of record in this State prior to the first day of January, in the year of our Lord 1870, or who shall be a male citizen of the United States, above the age of twenty-one years, shall be entitled to vote at such primary.

The following regulations shall be applicable to primaries:

No person shall be entitled to vote at a primary:

(a) Unless he declares his party affiliations as required by this Act;

(b) Who shall have signed the petition for nomination of a candidate of any party with which he does not affiliate, when such candidate is to be voted for at the primary;

(c) Who shall have signed the nominating papers of an independent candidate for any office for which office candidates for nomination are to be voted for at such primary; or

(d) If he shall have voted at a primary held under this Act of another political party within a period of two years next preceding such primary: *Provided*, participation by a primary elector in a primary of a political party, which under the provisions of section 2 of this Act, is a political party within a city only and entitled hereunder to make nominations of candidates for city officers only, and for no other office or offices, shall not disqualify such primary elector from participating in other primaries of his party: *And, provided*, that no qualified voter shall be precluded from participating in the pri-

mary of any purely city, village or town political party under the provisions of section 2 of this Act, by reason of such voter having voted within two years at the primary of another political party. In cities having a board of election commissioners, the following additional regulations shall be applicable:

In such cities only voters, registered as herein provided, shall be entitled to vote at such primary. The registration books prepared for and used at the election then next preceding shall be used for the primary, and any person therein registered shall be entitled to vote at the primary unless he shall have removed from the election precinct or become otherwise disqualified. Any person whose name does not appear on the registry books, who is, or shall, at or before the primary, become a primary elector of the precinct in which he desires to vote, shall be entitled to vote at such primary, by filing, or causing to be filed, with the board of election commissioners, twenty days prior to a primary, an affidavit, or affirmation, specifying the facts showing that on the date of such primary he will be a legally qualified primary elector in the precinct in which he desires to vote.

Such affidavit, or affirmation, for registration, shall state the name of the applicant, the place and date of his nativity, the term of his residence at his then present address, in the precinct, county, State and United States, the fact of his naturalization, if the applicant is a naturalized citizen, specifying the court, if known, or, if not known, the city in which the court was held, where such citizen was naturalized, and the residence when last registered. if the

applicant was previously registered. It shall be the duty of the Board of Election Commissioners to prepare proper forms of such affidavit, or affirmation.

Upon the filing of such affidavit, or affirmation, the Board of Election Commissioners shall place the name of such primary elector in the original registration books for the proper precinct, specifying the precinct from which he is transferred, if previously registered in another precinct, and shall also make a minute opposite his name in the original registration books of the precinct from which he has removed, showing the precinct to which his name is transferred, or, as the case may be, shall add the name of such primary elector in the original registration books for the proper precinct and the reason of the registration thereof.

At least five days prior to the date of the primary, the Board of Election Commissioners shall cause to be posted at each polling place in each precinct, in a book substantially in the form now used for "verification lists" under the general election laws of this State, the name and address of each primary elector who has been registered for the primary by having filed an affidavit, or affirmation, as above set forth.

Any primary elector of a precinct may, on the eleventh and twelfth days immediately preceding the primary, file with the Board of Election Commissioners an application, signed and sworn to by him, requesting that the name of a person, registered on the registration books of such precinct by affidavit, as herein provided, shall be erased there-

from, for the reason that such person so registered by affidavit is not, or will not on or before the day of the primary, be a legal primary elector of the precinct. A docket of such application shall be made by wards and precincts.

Notice of such application, with a demand to appear and show cause why such name should not be erased, shall thereupon be given to such person by the Board of Election Commissioners. Such notice shall be served upon such person personally, or left at the place of residence stated in the affidavit for registration, and a copy thereof shall be sent by mail, postage prepaid, at least two days before the day fixed to show cause, addressed to the person whose right to vote is challenged, at the residence address given in his registration affidavit. In case personal service cannot be had, the return of the Board of Election Commissioners shall so state and the reason therefor.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next preceding the primary, the Board of Election Commissioners shall sit to hear such applications by wards and precincts in their numerical order. At the request of either party, subpoenas shall be issued, and witnesses may be sworn and heard upon such hearing. Each person appearing in response to an application to erase a name shall subscribe and swear to an answer, in the presence of a member of the Board of Election Commissioners, substantially in the following form:

"I do solemnly swear that I am a citizen of the United States; that I have resided in the State of Illinois since the day of A. D. 191....

and in the county of....., said State, since the.....day of.....A. D. 191...., and in the.....precinct of the.....ward, in the city of.....said county and State, since the.....day of.....A. D. 191....; and that I amyears of age; and that I am the identical person registered in said precinct for the primary by affidavit under the name I subscribe hereto."

Such answer shall be filed with the Board of Election Commissioners.

The decision on each application shall be announced at once after hearing, and where such application is allowed, such name shall be erased forthwith.

The county court of the county in which such city is situated shall, on Friday and Saturday of the week prior to the week in which such primary is to be held, especially sit to hear such applications as may be made to it by persons whose names have been stricken from the registry list as above provided. Such application shall be sworn to and shall state that the Board of Election Commissioners has stricken such name from the registry list. Such application shall be heard summarily and evidence may be introduced for or against such application. Each case shall be decided at once on hearing, and the clerk of the court shall make a minute of the disposition of each application. A copy of such minute shall at once be given to such Board of Election Commissioners, and, when such minute indicates that the name of the applicant shall be restored to the register, the Board of Election Commissioners shall forthwith cause such name to be placed upon the appropriate register, and indi-

cate that it was entered by order of court.

In case said county court shall refuse such application, an order shall be entered accordingly on the Monday following the session of the court held for the purpose aforesaid, and any person desiring to appeal from the said order may appeal to the Supreme Court of the State, if application be made therefor within five days after the entry of said order, and such appeal shall be allowed on the giving of an appeal bond in the penalty of \$250, conditioned to pay the expense of such appeal. The time for filing such appeal bond and certificate of evidence shall be fixed by the court, and upon presentation to the court of a certificate containing the evidence heard at such hearing, within the time fixed by the court, the court shall sign the same, and thereupon the same shall become part of the record in said cause.

The original registration books, together with the registration by affidavit or affirmation, as herein provided, shall constitute the primary registration.

It is the intent and meaning of this section that all primary electors in any and all precincts, not already registered, in which they are or will be legally qualified to vote on the day of the primary, may be given an opportunity to have their names placed upon the registry books of the precinct in which they are, or will be, qualified to vote on the day of the primary, and this section shall be liberally construed to effectuate such intent.

Sec. 44. [VOTER—PARTY AFFILIATION, ETC.] Any person desiring to

vote at a primary shall state his name, residence and party affiliation to the primary judges, one of whom shall thereupon announce the same in a distinct tone of voice, sufficiently loud to be heard by all persons in the polling place. If the person desiring to vote is not challenged, one of the primary judges shall give to him one, and only one, primary ballot of the political party with which he declares himself affiliated, on the back of which such primary judge shall endorse his initials in such manner that they may be seen when the primary ballot is properly folded. If the person desiring to vote is challenged he shall not receive a primary ballot from the primary judges until he shall have established his right to vote as herein-after provided. No person who refuses to state his party affiliation shall be allowed to vote at a primary.

Sec. 45. [CHALLENGED VOTER—AFFIDAVITS.] Whenever a person offering to vote at a primary is challenged, the person so challenged shall make and subscribe an affidavit in the following form, which shall be presented to and retained by the primary judges and clerks, and returned by them with the primary poll book:

State of Illinois. }
County of..... } ss

I.....do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States, of the age of twenty-one years or over, and am qualified to vote under and by virtue of the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois, and am a

legally qualified voter of this precinct, that I now reside at(insert street and number, if any) in this precinct, and am a member of and affiliated with theparty; that I have not voted at a primary of another political party within a period of two years prior to this date; and that I voted at thecity, village or town primary, with thepolitical party at theelection held inA. D..... which saidpolitical party was entitled at said primary to make nominations of candidates for city, village or town offices only, and for no other offices, and that the name or names of no candidate or candidates of thepolitical party (the political party with which the primary elector declares himself affiliated) were, at such city, village or town primary, printed on the primary ballot; that I have not signed the petition for nomination of a candidate of a political party with which I am not affiliated, and that I have not signed the nominating papers of an independent candidate for any office for which office candidates for nomination are voted for at this primary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, thisday ofA. D.....

.....
Judge of Primary.

In addition to such affidavit the person so challenged shall produce the affidavit of one householder of the precinct, who shall be a qualified voter at such primary, and who shall be personally known or proved to the judges to be a householder in the precinct, which affidavit shall be in the following form:

State of Illinois, }
County of..... } ss

I.....do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a household of this precinct and entitled to vote at this primary; that I am acquainted with(name of the party challenged). whose right to vote at this primary has been challenged; that I know him to be an actual *bona fide* resident of this precinct, and that he has resided herein thirty days, and I verily believe he has resided in this county ninety days, and in this State one year next preceding this primary; that I verily believe he is a member of and affiliated with theparty.

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
this.....day of.....A. D 19.....

.....
Judge of Primary.

Sec. 46. [BALLOT—How MARKED.] On receiving from the primary judges a primary ballot of his party, the primary elector shall forthwith and without leaving the polling place, retire alone to one of the voting booths and prepare such primary ballot by marking a cross (X) in the square in front of and opposite the name of each candidate of his choice for each office to be filled. At the primary at which a precinct committeeman is to be elected the primary elector may write or attach at the bottom of his primary ballot, in the space provided for that purpose, the name of one primary elector of his precinct, member of and affiliated with his political party, for precinct committeeman. No other mark or designation

shall be necessary to indicate the primary elector's choice for precinct committeeman.

Any primary elector may, instead of voting for any candidate for nomination or for committeeman whose name is printed on the primary ballot, write in the name of any other person affiliated with such party as a candidate for the nomination for any office, or for committeeman, and indicate his choice of such candidate or committeeman by placing to the left of and opposite the name thus written a square and by placing in the square a cross (X). And at the primary at which precinct committeemen are to be elected he shall write at the bottom of his primary ballot, in the space provided for that purpose, the name of one primary elector of his precinct, member of and affiliated with his political party, for precinct committeeman. No squares need be placed in front of the names of persons so voted for for precinct committeemen.

Sec. 47. [BALLOT—How VOTED.] Before leaving the booth, the primary elector shall fold his primary ballot in such manner as to conceal the marks thereon. Such voter shall then vote forthwith by handing the primary judge the primary ballot received by such voter. Thereupon the primary judge shall deposit such primary ballot in the ballot box. The primary clerk shall thereupon enter in the primary poll book the name of the primary elector, his residence and his party affiliation.

Sec. 48. [ASSISTANCE TO VOTER.] Any primary elector who may declare upon

oath that he cannot read the English language, or that by reason of any physical disability he is unable to mark his ballot shall upon request, be assisted in marking his primary ballot in the same manner as provided by the general election laws of this State.

Sec. 49. [No Adjournment or Recess.] After the opening of the polls at a primary no adjournment shall be had nor recess taken until the canvass of all the votes is completed and the returns carefully enveloped and sealed.

Sec. 50. [CANVASS AT POLLING PLACE.] The votes shall be canvassed in the room or place where the primary is held and the primary judges shall not allow the ballot box or any of the ballots, or the primary poll book, or any of the tally sheets to be removed or carried away from such room or polling place until the canvass of the votes is completed and the returns carefully enveloped and sealed.

Sec. 51. [BALLOTS—"DEFECTIVE," Etc.] If the primary elector marks more names upon the primary ballot than there are persons to be nominated as candidates for an office, or for State central committeeman, or precinct committeeman or if for any reason it is impossible to determine the primary elector's choice of a candidate for the nomination for an office, or committeeman, his primary ballot shall not be counted for the nomination for such office or committeeman.

No primary ballot, without the endorsement of the judge's initials thereon, shall be counted. Any judge wilfully

omitting to endorse his initials on a primary ballot, as required by this Act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punishable by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offense.

Primary ballots not counted shall be marked "defective" on the back thereof; and primary ballots to which objections have been made by either of the primary judges or challengers shall be marked "objected to" on the back thereof; and a memorandum, signed by the primary judges, stating how it was counted shall be written on the back of each primary ballot so marked, and all primary ballots marked "defective" or "objected to" shall be enclosed in an envelope and securely sealed, and so marked and endorsed as to clearly disclose its contents.

All primary ballots not voted, and all that have been spoiled by voters while attempting to vote, shall be returned to the proper clerk, by the primary judges, and a receipt taken therefor, and shall be preserved three months. Such official shall keep a record of the number of primary ballots delivered for each polling place, and he or they shall also enter upon such record the number and character of primary ballots returned, with the time when and the persons by whom they are returned.

Sec. 52. [CANVASS OF BALLOTS.] Immediately upon closing the polls, the primary judges shall proceed to canvass the votes in the manner following:

- (1) They shall separate and count the ballots of each political party;
- (2) They shall then proceed to ascertain the number of names entered on

the primary poll books under each party affiliation:

(3) If the primary ballots of any political party exceed in number the names of voters of such political party entered on the primary poll books, the primary ballots of such political party shall be folded and replaced in the ballot box, the box closed, well shaken and again opened and one of the primary judges, who shall be blindfolded, shall draw out and destroy so many of the primary ballots of such political party as shall be equal to such excess:

(4) The primary judges shall then proceed to count the primary ballots of each political party separately; and as the primary judges shall open and read the primary ballots, each primary clerk shall carefully and correctly mark upon the tally sheets the votes which each candidate of the party whose name is written or printed on the primary ballot has received, in a separate column for that purpose, with the name of such candidate, the name of his political party and the name of the office for which he is a candidate for nomination at the head of such column.

- Sec. 53. [CANVASS OF BALLOTS—CERTIFICATE.] As soon as the ballots of a political party shall have been read and the votes of said political party counted, as provided in the last above section, the primary clerks shall foot up the tally sheets so as to show the total number of votes cast for each candidate of said political party and for each candidate for State central committeeman, and precinct committeeman, and certify the same to be correct. Thereupon,

the primary judges shall set down in the primary poll books, under the name of said political party, the name of each candidate voted for upon the primary ballot, written at full length, the name of the office for which he is a candidate for nomination or for committeeman, the total number of votes which said candidate received, and the primary judges shall certify the same to be true and correct; said entry in the primary poll books to be made substantially in the following form:

At the primary election held in this precinct on the.....day of.....A. D. 19...., the respective candidates whose names were written or printed on the primary ballot of said.....party, received respectively the following votes:

Name of Candidate	Title of Office	No. of Votes
John Jones	Governor	100
Sam Smith	Governor	70
Frank Martin	Attorney General	150
William Preston	Representative in Congress	206
Frederick John	County Judge	59

And so on for each candidate.

We hereby certify the above and foregoing to be true and correct.

Dated this.....day of.....A. D 19....

Judges of Primary.

Sec. 54. [BALLOTS—STRUNG, SEALED AND ENDORSED.] After the votes of a

political party have been counted, and set down and the tally sheets footed and the entry made in the primary poll books, as above provided, all the primary ballots of said political party, except those marked "defective" or "objected to" shall be strung upon a strong thread or twine separately for each political party in the order in which said primary ballots have been read, and shall thereupon be carefully sealed in an envelope, which envelope shall be endorsed as follows:

Primary ballots of the.....
party of the..... precinct of the
county of.....and State of Illinois "

Below each endorsement, each primary judge shall write his name.

Sec. 55. [PRECINCT RETURNS—How MADE.] The primary poll books, with the certificates of the primary judges written thereon, and the tally sheets, together with the envelopes containing the ballots, shall be carefully enveloped and sealed up together, properly endorsed and put into the hands of the primary judges, who shall, within forty-eight (48) hours thereafter, deliver the same to the clerk from whom the primary ballots were obtained, which clerk shall safely keep the same for three (3) months

Sec. 56. [CANVASS OF RETURNS.] As soon as complete returns are delivered to the proper clerk, the returns shall be canvassed as follows:

1. In the case of the nomination of candidates for city offices, by the mayor, the city attorney and the city clerk:

12. In the case of nomination of candidates for village offices, by the president of the board of trustees, one member of the board of trustees and the village clerk,

13. The officers who are charged by law with the duty of canvassing returns of general elections made to the county clerk, shall also open and canvass the returns of a primary made to such county clerk. Upon the completion of the canvass of the returns by the county canvassing board, said canvassing board shall make a tabulated statement of the returns for each political party separately, stating in appropriate columns and under proper headings, the total number of votes cast in said county for each candidate for nomination by said party, including candidates for United States Senator and for State central committeemen. Within two (2) days after the completion of said canvass by said canvassing board the county clerk shall mail to the Secretary of State a certified copy of such tabulated statement of returns: *Provided, however,* that the number of votes cast for the nomination for offices, the certificate of election for which offices, under the general election laws, are issued by the county clerk shall not be included in such certified copy of said tabulated statement of returns;

In the case of the nomination of candidates for offices, including United States Senator, State central committeeman, certified tabulated statement of returns for which are filed with the Secretary of State, said returns shall

be canvassed by the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer.

5. Where, in cities or villages which have a board of election commissioners, the returns of a primary are made to such board of election commissioners, said returns shall be canvassed by such board, and, excepting in the case of the nomination of candidates for any city or town office in such city, tabulated statements of the returns of such primary shall be made to the county clerk.

Sec. 57. [CERTIFICATES OF NOMINATION AND ELECTION.] Each of said canvassing boards, respectively, shall, upon completion of the canvassing of the returns, make proclamation of the result of said primary for each political party, and shall make and execute a certificate, and unless a notice of contest shall have been filed with said canvassing board ten (10) days after completion of the canvass, shall file such certificates in the office of the Secretary of State, or in the office of the clerk whose duty it is to print the official ballot for the election for which the nomination is made, as the case may be, stating therein, the name of each candidate of each political party so nominated, as shown by the returns, together with the name of the office for which he was nominated, including, in the case of the State primary canvassing board, candidates for State central committeemen. In case a notice of contest shall be filed with any canvassing board, such canvassing board shall withhold its certificate until a certified copy of the decree or order of the court hearing such contest shall have been filed with such canvassing board.

The said canvassing board shall, within one (1) day after receiving a certified copy of said decree or order, proceed to finish the canvass of the returns as corrected by such decree and make proclamation accordingly.

Upon the filing of said certificate in the office of the Secretary of State, or in the office of the proper clerk, as the case may be, the Secretary of State or the proper clerk as the case may be, shall, within one (1) day thereafter, issue a certificate of nomination to each of the candidates so proclaimed nominated, except United States Senator.

The Secretary of State shall also issue a certificate of election to each of the persons shown by the returns and the proclamation thereof to be elected State central committeeman.

Sec. 58. [PLURALITY NOMINATIONS—TIE VOTE.] The persons receiving the highest number of votes at a primary as a candidate of a party for the nomination for an office shall be the candidate of that party for such office, and his name as such candidate shall be placed on the official ballot at the election then next ensuing: *Provided*, that where there are two or more persons to be nominated for the same office or board, the requisite number of persons receiving the highest number of votes shall be nominated and their names shall be placed on the official ballot at the following election.

In the case of candidates for nomination for members of the board of assessors, where five are to be elected, four of whom are to be elected from any one city and the city has the requisite num-

ber, then the candidate for nomination living outside of such city having the highest number of votes of his party shall be nominated, and his name shall be placed on the official ballot at the following election.

The person receiving the highest number of votes of his party for State central committeeman of his Congressional district shall be declared elected State central committeeman from said Congressional district.

When two or more persons receive an equal and the highest number of votes for the nomination for the same office or for committeeman of the same political party, or where more than one person of the same political party is to be nominated as a candidate for office or committeeman, if it appears that more than the number of persons to be nominated for an office or elected committeeman have the highest and an equal number of votes for the nomination for the same office or for election as committeeman, the board by which the returns of the primary are canvassed shall decide by lot which of such persons shall be nominated or elected, as the case may be. In such case such canvassing board shall issue notice in writing to such persons of such tie vote, stating therein the place, the day (which shall not be more than five (5) days thereafter) and the hour when such nomination or election shall be so determined.

Sec. 59. [BALLOT FOR GENERAL ELECTION.] When the nomination is made for an office to be filled by the electors of an entire county, and where it is the

duty of the county clerk to prepare the official ballot for election, it shall be the duty of the county clerk, under this Act, to place upon the official ballot to be voted at the election the names of all candidates nominated for office, as herein provided, as shown by the certificate of the canvassing board on file in his office, and the names of all candidates certified to him by the Secretary of State as herein provided.

When the nomination is made for an office to be filled by the electors of an entire city or village, including alderman, and where it is the duty of the city or village clerk to prepare the official ballot for the election, it shall be the duty of the city or village clerk, under this Act, to place upon the official ballot to be voted at the election the names of all candidates nominated for office, as herein provided, as shown by the certificate of the canvassing board on file in his office.

When the nomination is made for an office to be filled by the electors of an entire town, and where it is the duty of the town clerk to prepare the official ballot for the election, it shall be the duty of the town clerk, under this Act, to place upon the official ballot to be voted at the election, the names of all candidates nominated for office, as herein provided, as shown by the certificate of the canvassing board on file in his office.

Not less than fifteen (15) days before an election to fill any office, the Secretary of State shall certify to the county clerk of each county within which any of the electors may, by law, vote for such candidates for such offices, the

name and description of each person nominated for such office, as shown by the certificate of the canvassing board on file in his office.

Sec. 60. [SPECIAL ELECTIONS—FILLING VACANCIES.] Whenever a special election shall be necessary, the provisions of this Act shall be applicable to the nomination of candidates to be voted for at such special election. The officer or board or commission whose duty it is, under the general election laws of this State, to call an election, shall fix a date for the primary for the nomination of candidates to be voted for at such special election. At least fifteen (15) days' notice shall be given of such primary.

In case a candidate who has been nominated under the provisions of this Act shall die before election, or decline the nomination, or should the nomination for any other reason become vacant, the managing committee of the respective political parties for the territorial area in which such vacancy occurs, shall nominate a candidate or candidates of the respective parties to fill such vacancies on the ticket.

Sec. 61. [BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS—DUTIES.] In cities having a board of election commissioners the duties herein imposed upon the county, city or village clerk, as the case may be, shall be discharged by the board of election commissioners, in the same manner, as near as may be, and to the same extent and with like effect that the similar duties imposed by this Act are discharged by the county, city or village clerk, as the case may be; and the bal-

lots for the nomination of all candidates to be voted for in such city shall be printed by the board of election commissioners and the returns of the primary held in such city shall be made to such board of election commissioners.

Sec. 62. [CONTESTS.] Any candidate whose name appears upon the primary ballot of any political party in any precinct may contest the election of the candidates nominated by his political party, upon the face of the returns, if he so desires, and may, in said county or any of the precincts thereof as to the office for which he was a candidate contest the election in such county or precinct by filing with the clerk of the county court, except in the case of candidates for the nomination for State, Congressional and Senatorial offices and for the office of county judge, a petition in writing, setting forth the grounds of contest, which petition shall be verified by the affidavit of the petitioner or other person, and which petition shall be filed within five (5) days after the completion of the canvass of the returns. The contestant shall also file with the canvassing board, which canvasses the returns for such nomination (and if for the nomination for an office, certified tabulated statements of the returns of which are to be filed with the Secretary of State), also with the county canvassing board, a notice of the pendency of the contest. In the case of a contest for the nomination for State, and Congressional offices and for the office of county judge, said petition shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court.¶

— Authority and jurisdiction are hereby vested in the county court or in the judge thereof in vacation, or in the circuit court or in the judges thereof in vacation, as the case may be, to hear and determine primary contests. When a petition to contest a primary shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court, said petition shall forthwith be presented to the judge thereof, who shall note thereon the day of presentation, and shall also note thereon the day when he will hear the same, which shall not be more than five (5) days thereafter, and shall order issuance of summons to each defendant named in the petition.

Summons shall forthwith issue to each defendant named in the petition and shall be served in the same manner as is provided in cases in chancery. Summons may be issued and served in any county in the State. The case may be heard and determined by the county or circuit court in term time, or by the judges thereof in vacation, at any time not less than three (3) days after service of process, and shall have preference in the order of hearing to all other cases. The petitioner shall give security for all costs.

If, in the opinion of the court, in which the petition is filed, the grounds for contest alleged are insufficient in law, the petition shall be dismissed. If the grounds alleged are sufficient in law, the court shall proceed in a summary manner and may hear evidence, examining the returns, recount the ballots and make such orders and enter such judgment as justice may require. The court shall ascertain and declare by a

decree, as in chancery to be entered of record in the proper court, the result of such election in the territorial area for which the contest is made. The judgment of the court shall be final. A certified copy of said decree shall forthwith be made by the clerk of the court and transmitted to the board canvassing the returns for such office; and in case of contest, if for nomination for an office, tabulated statements of returns for which are filed with the Secretary of State, also in the office of the county clerk of the proper county. The proper canvassing board, or boards, as the case may be, shall correct the returns or the tabulated statement of returns in accordance with said decree.

Sec. 63. [INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES.] Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to prevent the nomination of independent candidates by petition, as is now or may hereafter be provided by law.

Sec. 64. [LIQUOR—PENALTY.] No spirituous, malt, vinous or intoxicating liquor shall be sold or given away, nor shall any saloon, bar room or place where such liquor is sold or given away be open during the holding of any primary. Whoever violates the provisions of this section shall be fined in a sum not less than twenty-five (25) nor more than one hundred (100) dollars. It shall be the duty of the sheriff, constable, coroner and other officers of the county, the magistrates and mayors of cities to see that the provisions of this section are enforced.

Sec. 65 [FALSE SWEARING DEEMED PERJURY.] If any person whose vote is challenged, or any witness sworn under the provisions of this Act, shall knowingly, wilfully and corruptly swear falsely, he shall be deemed guilty of perjury and on conviction thereof shall be punished accordingly.

Sec. 66. [ILLEGAL VOTING—BRIBERY, ETC.—PENALTY.] (1) Whoever unlawfully votes more than once at any primary or offers to vote after having once voted at such primary, or knowing that he is not a qualified elector at a primary, wilfully votes at such primary, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding one thousand (1000) dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or both in the discretion of the court.

(2) Whoever wilfully aids or abets any one not legally qualified to vote at a primary in voting or attempting to vote at such primary; or,

(3) By unlawful means prevents or attempts to prevent any primary elector from attending or voting at a primary; or,

(4) Gives or offers to give any valuable thing or bribe to any judge or clerk of a primary, as a consideration of some act to be done or omitted to be done contrary to his official duty in relation to such primary, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding one thousand (1000) dollars or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or both, in the discretion of the court; any judge or clerk who shall receive, request or demand

any bribe or reward, forbidden by this Act shall, on conviction, be liable to the same penalties as prescribed in this Act for giving or offering to give such bribe or reward.

Sec. 67. [BRIBERY DEFINED—PROSECUTION—PENALTY.] (1) Any person who shall solicit, request, demand or receive directly or indirectly, any money, intoxicating liquor or other thing of value or the promise thereof, either to influence his vote, or to be used, or under the pretense of being used to procure the vote of any other person or persons or to be used at any poll or other place prior to or on the day of a primary for or against any candidate for office, or for or against any measure or question to be voted upon at such primary, shall be deemed guilty of the infamous crime of bribery in primaries, and upon conviction thereof in any court of record, shall be sentenced to disfranchisement by the judge of such court for a term of not less than five and not more than fifteen years, and to the county jail not less than three months or more than one year, and to pay the cost of prosecution and stand committed to the county jail until such costs are fully paid. That for a conviction of a second offense under this section, the first being alleged and proven, such offender shall be by sentence of the court forever thereafter disfranchised and deprived of the right to vote at a primary in this State, and be imprisoned in the county jail not less than one year, and be committed to jail in default of the payment of costs of prosecution until such costs are fully paid. Prosecutions may be had under

this section by indictment in the circuit court, or by information in the county courts, and the effect of a sentence of disfranchisement in either of said courts, both having jurisdiction of offenses hereunder, shall be to deprive such persons sentenced to [of] the right to vote at any primary within this State for a period of time fixed by the court where such person shall be convicted under this section. Any candidate or other person paying, furnishing or promising to pay or furnish, or bribing such person with money, intoxicating liquor or any other thing of value, or the promise thereof, shall not be liable to punishment therefor, but shall be a competent witness and compelled to testify in prosecutions under this section. Solicitations of any person, or a loan of money or the purchase of anything of value, or any other subterfuge shall be deemed a violation thereof.

(2) Any person who shall have been legally convicted and disfranchised by a court of competent jurisdiction, who shall, before the expiration of his term of disfranchisement, vote or offer to vote at any primary within this State shall, upon indictment and conviction thereof in a court of competent jurisdiction, be confined in the penitentiary for a term of years not less than one nor more than ten years.

Sec. 68. [DISORDERLY CONDUCT—PENALTY.] Whoever is disorderly at a primary shall forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty-five (25) dollars.

Sec. 69. [WAGERS—PENALTY.] Whoever bets or wagers any money, property

or other valuable thing upon the result of the primary, or bets or wagers money, property or other valuable thing upon the number of votes which may be given to any person at a primary, or shall receive the greatest number of votes at a primary, or agrees to pay any other person any money, property or other valuable thing in the event that a primary shall result in one way, or in the event that any person shall or shall not be nominated or shall receive a greater number of votes than others, upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one thousand (1000) dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 70. [OFFENSES OF JUDGE—PENALTY.] (1) If any judge of a primary shall permit a person to vote whose vote is challenged, without the proof required in this Act; or,

(2) Shall knowingly and wilfully permit a person to testify as a witness contrary to the provisions of this Act; or,

(3) Shall knowingly permit a person to vote who is not qualified according to law; or,

(4) Shall knowingly receive and count more than one vote from the same person at the same primary for the same office, except as allowed by law; or,

(5) Shall refuse to receive the vote of a qualified primary elector at such primary, who will make the affidavit of and proof required by this Act; or,

(6) Shall be guilty of any fraud, corruption or manifest misbehavior; or,

(7) Shall open or unfold any ballot when the same is presented to be deposited in the ballot box; or,

(8) Shall wilfully neglect to perform any of the duties required of him by this Act; shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding one thousand (1000) dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 71. [DISCLOSING HOW ELECTOR VOTED—PENALTY.] If any person wilfully or corruptly ascertains, publishes or reveals how a primary elector voted at a primary, he shall, on conviction thereof be fined in any sum not exceeding one thousand (1000) dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 72. [OFFENSES OF CLERK—PENALTY.] If any clerk of a primary shall wilfully neglect to perform any duty required of him as primary clerk, or shall be guilty of fraud, corruption or misbehavior, he shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding six months, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 73. [FAILURE TO DELIVER RETURNS, ETC.—PENALTY.] If any judge, clerk or messenger, after having been deputed by the primary judges to carry the primary poll books, tally sheets and returns of such election to the place where by law they are required to be

canvassed, wilfully or negligently fails to deliver such primary poll books, tally sheets or returns within a time prescribed by law, with the seal unbroken, he shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding six months, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 74. [NEGLECT OR REFUSAL OF CLERK—PENALTY.] If any county, city or town clerk wilfully refuses to perform any duty required of him by this Act, he shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars and shall be liable to the person injured by reason of such neglect or refusal in an amount not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars, to be recovered in an action on the case.

Sec. 75. [OFFENSES IN CANVASSING RETURNS—PENALTY.] If any person whose duty it is to canvass the returns or make a tabulated statement thereof, shall be guilty of fraud, corruption or misbehavior in not canvassing the returns or making a tabulated statement thereof, he shall, upon conviction, be fined in any sum not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars or be imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 76. [STEALING OR DEFACING RETURNS—PENALTY.] Whoever shall wilfully and wrongfully take or carry away from the place where it has been deposited for safe keeping, or deface, mutilate or change any primary poll book, tally sheet or ballot, or any name or figure therein, shall, upon conviction

thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding one thousand (1,000) dollars or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 77. [FALSE ENTRIES, ETC.—PENALTY.] Any person or member of a board or any primary judge, clerk or other officer who is guilty of stealing, wilfully and wrongfully breaking, destroying, mutilating, defacing, falsifying, or unlawfully moving or secreting or detaining the whole or any part of any ballot box, or any record, primary poll book, tally sheet, or copy thereof, oath, returns, or any other paper or document provided for in this Act, or who shall fraudulently make any entry erasure or alteration therein, except as allowed and directed by the provisions of this Act, or who permits any other person so to do shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding one thousand (1,000) dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 78. [OTHER VIOLATIONS—PENALTY.] If any person shall commit any act prohibited herein or refrain from doing any act or duty required to be done herein, and if any person shall in any manner be guilty of a violation of this Act, whether the same is denominated an offense or not, and for which no punishment is herein specially provided, such person shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not less than twenty-five (25) nor more than one hundred (100) dollars, or im-

prisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 79. [REPEAL.] An Act entitled "An Act to regulate primary elections of voluntary political associations and to punish frauds therein," approved June 6, 1889, in force July 1, 1889; an Act entitled "An Act providing for primary elections of delegates to nominating conventions of political parties or associations, and to provide for the purity thereof," approved April 24, 1899, in force July 1, 1899; an Act entitled "An Act providing for primary elections of delegates to nominating conventions of political parties or associations and to promote the purity thereof by regulating the conduct thereof and to support the privileges of free suffrage thereat by prohibiting certain acts and practices in relation thereto and providing for the punishment thereof," approved and in force February 10, 1898, as amended by an Act approved May 11, 1901, in force July 1, 1901; "An Act to provide for the holding of primary elections by political parties," approved February 21, 1908, in force July 1, 1908, and all other Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 80. [INVALIDITY.] That the invalidity of any portion of this Act shall not affect the validity of any other portion hereof, which can be given effect without such invalid part.

APPROVED MARCH 9, 1910.
IN FORCE JULY 1, 1910.

LEGISLATIVE PRIMARY ELECTION LAW.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE HOLDING
OF PRIMARY ELECTIONS BY POLITICAL
PARTIES FOR THE NOMINATION OF
MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AND THE ELECTION OF SENATORIAL
COMMITTEEMEN. [APPROVED MARCH
9, 1910. IN FORCE JULY 1, 1910.]

SECTION 1. [NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY—SENATORIAL COMMITTEEMEN.] *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois represented in the General Assembly:* The nomination of all candidates for members of the General Assembly by all political parties, and the election of senatorial committeemen, as defined in section 2 of this Act shall be made in the manner provided in this Act and not otherwise.

The name of no person, nominated by a party required hereunder to make nominations of candidates for members of the General Assembly shall be placed upon the official ballot to be voted at the election to be held the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the month of November, A. D 1910, as a candidate unless such person shall have been nominated for such office under the provisions of this Act, and all nominations made prior to July 1, A. D. 1910, of candidates

for such office to be voted for at said election are hereby declared of no effect, and no nomination for any such office made prior to July 1, A. D. 1910, shall entitle any person so nominated to have his name placed upon the official ballot to be voted at said election.

Sec. 2. [POLITICAL PARTY DEFINED.] The term "political party" as used in this Act shall mean a political party which, at the next preceding election for Governor polled at least two per cent of the entire vote cast in the State

Sec. 3. [WORDS AND PHRASES.] The following words and phrases in this Act shall, unless the same be inconsistent with the context, be construed as follows:

(1) The words "senatorial office" or "senatorial officer," State Senator and Representatives in the General Assembly.

Sec. 4. [DATES OF PRIMARIES.] A primary shall be held on the second Tuesday in April in every year except the year A. D. 1910, in which year a primary shall be held on the 15th day of September, A. D. 1910, in which officers are to be voted for on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of such year, for the nomination of candidates for members of the General Assembly, and shall be known as the April primary: *Provided, however,* that wherever in this Act the term "April primary" or equivalent words shall appear, such term or such words shall be construed, as to the primary held in September, A. D. 1910, to refer to and

govern such primary so held in September, A. D. 1910.

Sec. 5. [SENATORIAL COMMITTEE—How ELECTED.] There shall be constituted a senatorial committee for each senatorial district: *Provided, however,* that nothing herein contained shall prevent a political party from electing or appointing in accordance with its practice any other committees.

The senatorial committee of each political party shall be elected as follows:

(a) In senatorial districts comprised of three or more counties, the senatorial committee shall be composed of one member elected from each county of such senatorial district.

At the September primary held in the year A. D. 1910, and at the April primary held every two years thereafter, each primary elector may vote for one candidate of his party residing in his county for members [member] of the senatorial committee of his party.

(b) In senatorial districts comprised of two counties, the senatorial committee shall be composed of three members, two of whom shall be elected from the county in which such political party at the general election for State and county officers then next preceding a primary polled the larger number of votes in such senatorial district, and one of whom shall be elected from the other county of such senatorial district.

- At the September primary held in the year A. D. 1910, and at the April primary held every two years thereafter, each primary elector, residing in a county in which such political party at the general election for State and county

officers then next preceding a primary polled the larger number of votes in such senatorial district, may vote for two candidates of his party, residing in his county, for members of the senatorial committee of his party (and at such primary in the other county of such senatorial district, each primary elector may vote for one candidate of his party) residing in his county for member of the senatorial committee of his party.

(c) In senatorial districts composed of one county, and in senatorial districts wholly within the territorial limits of one county, or partly within the territorial limits of one county and partly within the territorial limits of another county, the senatorial committee shall be composed of three members elected from such senatorial district.

At the September primary held in the year A. D. 1910, and at the April primary held every two years thereafter, each primary elector may vote for three candidates of his party, residing in such senatorial district, for members of the senatorial committee of his party.

Within thirty days after its election, the senatorial committee shall meet and proceed to organize by electing from among its own number a chairman, and either from its own number or otherwise, such other officers as said committee may deem necessary or expedient. The outgoing chairman of the senatorial committee of the party shall notify the members elected of the time and place (which shall be in the limits of such senatorial district) of such meeting.

Sec. 6. [EXISTING PARTY COMMITTEES RECOGNIZED—PETITION—NUMBER OF SIGNERS.] The various political party committees now in existence are hereby recognized and shall exercise the powers and perform the duties herein prescribed until committeemen are chosen, in accordance with the provisions of this Act. The name of no candidate for nomination or senatorial committeeman shall be printed upon the primary ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed in his behalf as herein provided.

All petitions for nomination shall be signed as follows:

(a) If for a senatorial office, by at least one-half of one per cent of the qualified primary electors of his party in his senatorial district.

(b) If for senatorial committeeman, by at least ten of the primary electors of his party of the county where the senatorial district is co-extensive with one county or is composed of more than one county; but in case the senatorial district is wholly within the territorial limits of one county, or partly within the territorial limits of one county and partly within the territorial limits of another county, then such petition shall be signed by at least ten (10) of the primary electors of his party of his senatorial district.

In determining the total numbers [number] of names necessary to constitute a valid petition for a candidate for nomination for a senatorial office as required by this section, the test shall be one-half of one per cent of the total vote cast by his party for Governor in the

senatorial district at the election for Governor then next preceding the primary.

Sec. 7. [PETITION—FILING—WITHDRAWAL.] All petitions for nomination shall be filed as follows:

(1) Where the nomination is made for a senatorial office such petition for nomination shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, not more than 60 and not less than 30 days prior to the date of the primary.

(2) The petitions of candidates for senatorial committeemen shall be filed in the office of the county clerk not more than 60 and not less than 30 days prior to the date of the primary.

(3) The Secretary of State and the various clerks with whom such petitions for nomination are filed shall endorse thereon the day and hour on which each petition was filed.

(4) Any person for whom a petition for nomination or for senatorial committeemen has been filed may cause his name to be withdrawn in writing signed by him duly acknowledged before an officer qualified to take acknowledgments of deeds and filed in the office of the Secretary of State not less than 25 or with the proper clerk not less than 12 days prior to the day of the primary, and no names so withdrawn shall be certified by the Secretary of State to the county clerk or printed on the primary ballot.

Sec. 8. [CERTIFICATE TO COUNTY CLERK.] Not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date of the primary, the Secretary of State shall certify to

the county clerk of each county the names of all candidates for senatorial officers [offices] as specified in the petitions for nominations on file in his office which are to be voted for in such county, stating in such certificates the political affiliation of each candidate for nomination as specified in said petition. The Secretary of State shall, in his certificate to the county clerk, certify to said county clerk the names of the candidates in the order in which said names shall appear upon the primary ballot, said names to appear in the order in which petitions shall have been filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

Sec. 9. [BALLOTS—BY WHOM PRINTED—NAMES.] The county clerk of each county or the Board of Election Commissioners, as the case may be, shall prepare and cause to be printed the primary ballot of each political party for each precinct in his respective county and the names of all candidates provided in this Act which are certified to the office of the county clerk by the Secretary of State and of all candidates for senatorial committeeman whose petitions have been filed in said office shall be placed on the same ballot as candidates for other offices for nominations to be voted for at the same primary election properly arranged, however, under the name of each office. Below the name of the office of Representative in the General Assembly shall be printed in small letters the directions to the voters, "vote for one, two or three."

Sec. 10. [NAMES ON BALLOT—ORDER.] The Secretary of State shall in his

certificate to the county clerk certify to said county clerk the position which the names of candidates for senatorial officers [offices] shall occupy upon the primary ballot with reference to the position of candidates for other offices. The names of the candidates for senatorial committeemen shall, under the proper heading, be placed on the primary ballot immediately after the names of the candidates for senatorial offices, in the order in which their petitions were filed in the office of the county clerk.

Sec. 11. REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY—NUMBER—How VOTED FOR.] At least thirty-three (33) days prior to the date of the April primary the senatorial committee of each political party shall meet and, by resolution fix and determine the number of candidates to be nominated by their party at the primary for Representative in the General Assembly. A copy of said resolution duly certified by the chairman and attested by the secretary of the committee, shall within five days thereafter be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, and in the office of the county clerk of each county in the Senatorial district.

In all primaries for the nomination of candidates for Representatives in the General Assembly each qualified primary elector may cast three votes for one candidate or may distribute the same or equal parts thereof among two candidates or three candidates as he shall see fit. And the said candidate or candidates for nomination highest in votes shall be declared nominated for the office to be filled

Sec. 12. [CANVASS OF VOTES—How COUNTED.] The votes for the nomination of candidates for Representative in the General Assembly shall be canvassed in the following manner:

(1) When a cross is placed in the squares preceding the names of three (3) candidates and the ballot for Representative in the General Assembly is not otherwise marked it shall be counted as one vote for each candidate.

(2) When a cross is placed in the squares preceding the names of two candidates, and the ballot for Representative in the General Assembly is not otherwise marked, it shall be counted as one and one-half ($1\frac{1}{2}$) votes for each of such candidates.

(3) When a cross is placed in the square preceding the name of one candidate, and the ballot for Representative in the General Assembly is not otherwise marked, it shall be counted as three (3) votes for such candidate.

(4) When the ballot has been so marked as to indicate the intention to cast more than three votes for the nomination of candidates for Representatives in the General Assembly, such ballot shall not be counted for any of such candidates.

The requisite number of persons receiving the highest number of votes as candidates of their party in any county, or senatorial district, as the case may be, for senatorial committeemen, shall be declared elected senatorial committeemen from such county, or senatorial district.

If the primary elector marks more names upon the primary ballot than

there are persons to be nominated as candidates for State Senator or for senatorial committeeman, or if for any reason it is impossible to determine the primary electors' choice of a candidate for the nomination for State Senator or senatorial committeeman, his primary ballot shall not be counted for the nomination for such office or committeeman.

Sec. 13. [RETURNS OF PRIMARY—CANVASS, CERTIFICATION, TABULATION.] Except as herein otherwise expressly provided, each, every and all of the provisions of any Act relating to the holding of primary elections by political parties, passed by this extraordinary session of the General Assembly, and Acts hereafter passed amendatory thereof, shall, so far as the same may be applicable, apply to and govern primary elections held under the provisions of this Act. The returns of such primary shall be made to the county clerk or board of election commissioners, as the case may be, and shall be canvassed and certified as other returns made to the county clerk or board of election commissioners, as the case may be. The county canvassing board, or the board of election commissioners, as the case may be, shall issue a certificate of election to the requisite number of persons of each political party shown by the returns to be elected members of the senatorial committee

Tabulated statements of the returns of the primary for the nomination of candidates for senatorial offices shall be made to the Secretary of State, canvassed by the State Primary Canvassing Board, proclamation of the result there-

of made, and certificates of nomination issued, as in the case of other tabulated statements of returns made to the Secretary of State, and the pains and penalties prescribed in the Acts last referred to shall apply to and govern all elections held under this Act.

Sec. 14. [INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES.] Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to prevent the nomination of independent candidates by petition, as is now or may hereafter be provided by law.

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